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(C) MFA Director General for International Development Cooperation Denes Tomaj told PolOff on December 16 that Hungary would not be able to provide additional donations to the Special Tribunal for Lebanon over and above the USD 10,000 already committed (ref B). Tomaj cited Hungary's current budgetary restrictions related to the recent IMF, World Bank, and EU sustainability package as a key reason for the decision. Foley